

Salaat Al-A'yaat (Salaat of the Signs)

This prayer becomes **obligatory** (*wajib*) when natural phenomena (acts of Allah) take place such as earthquakes, Solar and Lunar eclipses, major hurricanes, tornados and cyclones.

Obligatory components of this Salaat are:

1. Intention. It is obligatory (Wajib)
2. Two Rakaat
3. Each Rakaat has five (5) *Qiyaam* (standing up and reciting Surah Al-Fatihah and another short Surah) and five (5) Ruku.
4. Rests of the components are like the regular Salaat (Tashahud, salaam, etc.)

(Optional: Qunoot; Two in first Rakaat and three in second Rakaat are optional. Five in total. Recite in the second, fourth, sixth, eighth and tenth Rakaat.)

Details:

1. Make intention as follows: (After Iqaamah-[optional]). I recite *Salaatul A'yaat Wajib Qurbatan Ilal-Laah*
2. *Takbiratul Ihraam*.

First Rakaat

3. Surah Al-Fatihah and another short Surah (Ikhlaas, etc.)
4. Go in Ruku (First Ruku)
5. Repeat the same procedure, until Five *Qiyaam* and five Ruku completed.
6. After standing up from last Ruku, go in *Sajdah* x2 (like usual Salaat)

Second Rakaat

7. Repeat the above steps (3, 4, 5)
8. Complete the Salaat with *Tashahud* and *Salaam*.

Other considerations:

1. Since it is an obligatory prayer, it should be offered as **Qaza** afterwards, if it was not offered during the event.
2. It may be offered in Congregation. The rules are same as any obligatory congregational prayer.

Please consult a religious scholar or a recommended source for more details or options.

Suggested link: <http://al-islam.org/laws/ayaat.html>

(The End)